want notice ? Why should not the Government be able to give an answer ?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—It will be considered.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—May I know whether in the assignment of Chittur Kanom lands the maximum was Rs. 75 and the minimum rate was Rs. 50?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—They were poor lands.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Is there any case in which such low rate was fixed ?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—Oh, yes.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—May I have a few instances, in Kodasseri ?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—Not now.

Kanam and Panayam Suits.

291. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state in a tabular form.—

(1) the total number of suits filed in the Civil Court of Original Jurisdiction in the State for redemption of Panayams akin to Kanam with the incidence of renewability (ordinary mortgage suits should not be included) every year from 1090 up to date;

(2) the number decreed every year;

(3) the number in which delivery of property has been taken;

(4) the number for which no execution has been taken;

(5) the number pending execution;

(6) the number pending trial?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1), (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6). Vide the statement appended. (*Vide Appendix III*).

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—May I know what were the reasons which induced the Government to issue a proclamation staying panayam suits ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Because a bill was proposed to be introduced in the Council and for suits pending decision one way or the other a proclamation was necessary.

Bridge work—Chalakkudi—Mala road.

292. Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the bridge work in the Chalakkudi—Mala road has been started; if not, why not;

(b) whether the land acquisition is completed in this case; and if not, why not;

(c) if the work is not commenced on account of any delay in land acquisition, will they kindly expedite proceedings;

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(d) when do they intend to commence work on this bridge making?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) No. Because the land acquisition is not completed.

(b) No. After the publication of the draft declaration in the Gazette, a slight change in the alignment of the road was found necessary. This caused some delay in proceeding with the acquisition.

(c) Yes.

(d) When the land acquisition is completed.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—If this bridge is not taken up now, will you be able to complete it before the monsoon ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It will be completed before the monsoon.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—How many months would you require ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The bridge will be completed within two months.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—You say in another portion of the answer that land acquisition itself would take two months.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It will be possible to complete the work within that time.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will you start work forthwith ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes.

Road to Tiruthikkad.

293. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform—

(a) whether the Superintendent of Panchayats has received a petition dated 24th Mithunam 1104 from Mr. Ambalath Veetil Govinda Panikkar (Tiruttikad desom, Porkulam village) and others for opening a road to Tiruttikad; and if so,

(b) whether the above officer has received a petition dated 20th Karkadagam 1105 from the afore mentioned petitioners relating to the same subject;

(c) whether any reply has been sent to the petitioners;

(d) whether their request has been granted; and if not,

(e) what action has been so far taken in the matter?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) No.

(d) and (e). An estimate for the work has been submitted to the Government by the Public Works Department. It is pending orders.

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